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Mr. Christopher Maiorana
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RE: New U.S. Patent Applications
Our Refs: [REDACTED] CD00060

Dear Chris:

Please find enclosed paperwork outlining [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] an invention by Cypress employees Paul Chen, Kuang-Yu Chen, Frank Hwang, Eric Chen and Hyunbae Kim entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OVERCLOCKING RECOVERY IN A PLL" (Cypress ref: CD00060). The inventions were presented at a recent Patent Review Meeting at Cypress, and the consensus is that the ideas are patentable. We would appreciate your preparation of least three applications.

Please contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Paul (phone: [REDACTED]), Kuang-Yu (phone: [REDACTED]), Frank (phone: [REDACTED]), Eric (phone: [REDACTED]), and/or Hyunbae (phone: [REDACTED]) to clarify points in the accompanying paperwork and discuss strategies for drafting the applications. Please copy me all correspondence sent to the inventors.

Please note that we have set a budget of [REDACTED] for the preparation of each of the applications. Please contact me if you think you may exceed the budget. Our goals are to receive a first drafts within about [REDACTED] weeks and to file the applications within [REDACTED] weeks.

Thank you for your cooperation with our efforts.

Sincerely,

Laura Engurasoff, Esq.
Manager of Intellectual Property
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Enclosures: Invention Disclosures

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